1	2	3
19.	Varanasi	6000
20.	Bareilly	5000
21.	Madras	7800
22.	Coimbatore	7800
23.	Madurai	7800
24.	Cochin	7900
25.	Trivandrum	7900
26.	Hyderabad	7500
27.	Visakhapatnam	7500
28.	Bangalore	7700
29.	Mysore	7700
30.	Belgaum	7700
31.	Jaipur	5200
32.	Shimla	5031
33.	Jammu	5200
34.	Srinagar	5300

In case of open sale at Depots at other centres, the rate fixed for nearest major centre shall apply.

Statement-II

Statement Indicating prices of rice with effect from 1.7.1996 till further Orders.

Rate Rs. PMT

S.No.	Name of the State	Fine	Superfine
1.	Punjab	7050	7350
2.	Haryana	7000	7300
3.	Uttar Pradesh	6900	7200
4.	Rajasthan	7500	7650
5.	Delhi	6740	7060
6.	Jammu and Kashmir	6680	7000
7.	West Bengal/Bihar Orissa/Madhya Pradesh/ Maharashtra/Gujarat/ Karnataka/Kerala/ Andhra Pradesh/Tamil Nadu	7130	7450

For open sale for domestic consumption within 50 kms of port towns, rates as applicable in case of sale for export these port towns minus Rs. 50 per tonnes shall be applicable.

Tribals of Karnataka State

2487. JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :
SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Tribals yet to get allotted Land" appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' dated December, 26, 1996.

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken to redress the grievances of these tribals; and

(d) the names of the Adivasis to whom the possession of land has since been given along with the total bighas of land given to each of them?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The complaint appeared in Hindustan Times, dated 26th December, 1996. It is true that some tribal allottees were not getting simultaneous possession of land. The Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment conducted a study in 10 districts of Karnataka which revealed that around 3% of the allottees did not get simultaneous possession of land alongwith the letter of allotment. The major reasons detected in the aforesaid studies include injunction of the Court and eventual delays in demarcation and identification of the allotted land on the part of the survey-Settlement department.

(c) The Ministry of Rural/Areas and Employment have advised all States to give simultaneous possession of land alongwith letter of allotment and to hand over possession wherever it has not yet been done, without any further lose of time. In this regard, number of resolutions were adopted in the conference of Revenue Ministers held in New Delhi on 28th January, 1997 which also emphasized the need for time-bound distribution and providing concurrent possession of the land to the allottees, and to take effective steps to distribute as well as restore possession to all allottees, including the tribals. Accordingly, the said recommendations have been communicated to all States including Karnataka.

(d) The names of Adivasis and land allotted to each of them are not maintained either at the State level or at the Central level. Such information is available only with grass-root level Revenue functionaries. However, since inception of the ceiling laws on agricultural holdings the total land allotted to the tribals in the State of Karnataka is only 3,578 acres benefitting 974 tribal families.

Sewage Treatment Plants

2488. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA :
JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government had earmarked Rs. 400 crore for setting up Sewage Treatment Plants in cities situated on the banks of the river Ganga for keeping its water clean;

(b) if so, the names of the places where the said plants are proposed to be set up and the expenditure likely to be incurred on each of them;

(c) whether the construction work for these plants has been started; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ) : (a) An amount of Rs. 205.59 crore has been sanctioned for 35 Sewage Treatment Plants in 25 towns along the banks of the river Ganga under the Ganga Action Plan Phase-I. In addition, an amount of Rs. 121.41 crore has been sanctioned for similar works in 47 towns along the Ganga under the second phase of the Ganga Action Plan which is to be implemented on the basis of 50% sharing of cost between the Central and the concerned State Governments.

(b) The names of the places where the plants are to be constructed and their sanctioned cost are given in the Statement.

(c) and (d) Out of the 35 Sewage Treatment Plants of the Ganga Action Plan Phase-I, 26 have been completed. Preparatory work of the Detailed Project Reports for the Sewage Treatment Plants of Ganga Action Plan Phase-II has begun.

Statement

Sewage Treatment Plants under Ganga Action Plan Phase-I

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Location	Estimated Cost
1	2	3
UTTAR PRADESH		
1.	Kankhal, Hardwar	782.24
2.	Swargashram-Rishikesh	19.45
3.	Lakkar ghat, Rishikesh	84.95
4.	Farukhabad	154.82
5.	Kanpur	1282.18
6.	Chorme Recovery Pilot Plant, Kanpur	2.87
7.	Kanpur	3243.00
8.	Kanpur	11.42
9.	Allahabad	1833.00
10.	Mirzapur	356.37
11.	Varanasi, BHU	344.92
12.	Varanasi, Dinapur	2643.20
13.	Varanasi, SPT, DLW	75.00
	Sub Total Uttar Pradesh	10833.42
BIHAR		
14.	Chapra	306.44
15.	Patna, Eastern Zone	155.53
16.	Patna-Saidpur #	603.38
17.	Patna-Beur	382.97
18.	Patna-Southern Zone	388.83
19.	Munger	226.70
20.	Bhagalpur	211.81
	Sub Total : BIHAR	2275.66
WEST BENGAL		
21.	Chandannagar	308.50
22.	Behrampore	37.73
23.	Nabadwip	43.17
24.	Kalyani	141.34
25.	Bhatpara Gr. E	209.74
26.	Bhatpara Gr. B	383.28
27.	Titagarh	277.25
28.	Panihati	230.29
29.	Baranagar-Kamarhati	1420.47
30.	Garden Reach	1762.16
31.	South Suburban (E)	451.13
32.	Howrah	150.56
33.	Serampore	180.13
34.	Bally	470.12
35.	Cossipore-Chitpur	1384.36
	Sub Total : West Bengal	7450.23
	Total	20559.31

Sewage Treatment Plant under Ganga Action Plan Phase-II

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Town	Estimated Cost (STP)
1	2	3
Ganga Action Plan Phase II (Main Stem Towns)		
I. BIHAR		
1.	Patna	180.70
2.	Bhagalpur	032.00
New Towns :		
3.	Buxar	015.00
4.	Arrah	140.00
5.	Sahebganj	006.00
	Sub Total	374.30

1	2	3
II. UTTAR PRADESH		
6.	Hardwar-r' kesh	080.00
7.	Kanpur	3270.00
8.	Allahabad	1390.00
9.	Varanasi	972.00
10.	Mirzapur	045.00
New Towns		
11.	Moghal Sarai	026.00
12.	Ghazipur	039.00
13.	Saidpur	002.00
	Sub Total	5825.00
III WEST BENGAL		
14.	Barrackpore	315.21
15.	bansberia	442.68
16.	Rishra	349.86
17.	Baidyabati	160.65
18.	Budge-Budge	180.60
19.	Badreshwar-champdani	689.01
	Sub Total	2138.01
	Total	8337.31
Ganga Action Plan Phase-II (Supreme Court Towns)		
UTTAR PRADESH		
20.	Bijnor	115.50
21.	Chunar	105.00
22.	Anupshaher	31.50
23.	Ranipur	330.75
24.	Gopeshwar	34.65
25.	Karan Prayag	02.10
26.	Rudra Prayag	68.25
27.	Badrinath	21.00
28.	Srinagar	98.70
29.	Deo Prayag	10.50
30.	Uttar Kashi	84.00
	Sub Total	901.95
BIHAR		
31.	Mokamah	61.67
32.	Khelgaon	31.45
33.	Hazipur	76.44
	Sub Total	169.55
WEST BENGAL		
34.	Naihati	392.70
35.	Kharda (extended)	66.57
36.	Gayespur, Halilshar and Kanchrapara	713.18
37.	Konnagar	593.25
38.	North Barrackpore	210.84
39.	Jijganj-Azimganj	86.63
40.	Diamond Harbour	13.73
41.	Garulia	280.35
42.	Katwa	57.75
43.	Dhulian	47.70
44.	Jangipur	62.97
45.	Mahestala	102.90
46.	Chakdan	66.68
47.	Murshidabad	37.51
	Sub Total	2732.73
	Total	3804.23
	Grand Total of GAP-II STP's	12141.54

Reservation to Minority Communities

2489. SHRI D.P. YADAV : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to provide reservation to the minorities as per recommendations of the Mandal Commission; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) and (b) In pursuance of Supreme Court's judgement in Indira Swahney Vs. Union of India case, Central Lists of Backward Classes in respect of various States have been prepared which include number of caste/communities of people following minority religions such as Scheduled Caste Converts to Christianity in Andhra Pradesh, Dhobi (Muslim) in Bihar, Mappila in Kerala etc.

As per the recommendations of National Commission for Backward Classes, set up in August, 1993 to consider representations for inclusion/over inclusion of various castes/communities, a number of castes/communities of persons following the minority religions have also been included such as, Dhobi (other than whose who are already included in the list of Scheduled Castes for U.P.) of Uttar Pradesh, Jolah (Ansari-Momin) of West Bengal, Meo of Haryana, Other Muslims excluding (i) Bohra (ii) Cutchi Memon, (iii) Navayat (iv) Turukkan (v) Dakhni Muslim of Kerala.

[English]

Mercy Petitions

2490. SHRI HARIN PATHAK : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of mercy petitions for commutation of death sentences received during the last three years; and

(b) the details thereof?